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5 August 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] - Special NE Division Requirement

Friday - 31 July

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1120 - [REDACTED] were called to the office of the D/L. Mr. Garrison said this special NE Project had been discussed at the Director's meeting earlier in the morning. Indications were that the DCI was not inclined to authorize funds needed to effect shipment by air. There was a strong suggestion that shipment would be approved and that we had better be ready to expedite shipment by sea. Activity of OL/TD in determining that a [REDACTED] vessel sails from [REDACTED] on 14 August and must be loaded by 10 August was related. [REDACTED] suggested further specific staff actions he believed necessary to coordinate readiness for sea shipment.

1145 - Briefed [REDACTED] DC/SD, on the discussion and results of the meeting in Mr. Garrison's office. He informed that [REDACTED] had Conex containers in sufficient quantity to ship the [REDACTED]

1215 - Telephoned [REDACTED] and told him of meeting in Mr. Garrison's office. He was informed again of our surface shipment capability, and was asked to inform us immediately a decision was made relative authority to ship.

1220 - Telephoned [REDACTED] and told him of meeting in Mr. Garrison's office, discussion with Supply representative and about Conex container capability at [REDACTED]

1400 - Was asked by [REDACTED] to be in Supply Division at 1550 just prior to the 1600 telephone call to [REDACTED] in order to brief on any last minute details; was asked to contact and invite [REDACTED] to be present.

1530 - Talked briefly with [REDACTED] regarding project status and the 1550 meeting in Supply.

1535 - Talked with [REDACTED] informed him of our knowledge or discussion that morning at DCI's meeting, and expressed belief that a decision should have been reached. He said word had been received that the DCI preferred sea shipment, but that NE wanted to protest and that protest could not be made in name of Division Chief, Mr. [REDACTED] because he is out of town until Monday. I informed [REDACTED]

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that not receiving a decision until Monday "might" not allow us to book and ship this cargo on the [REDACTED] on 14 August. I said we had to know that afternoon whether NE was going to order the shipment. After a short hold, [REDACTED] said the matter was being taken to [REDACTED]/DDP, and that a decision would be given us before 1700 hours.

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1600 - A meeting was held in [REDACTED] office and the status of pending decision was related to representatives of Supply and Transportation Divisions.

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1630 - Briefed Mr. Garrison and [REDACTED] on the afternoon's conversations with [REDACTED]. Mr. Garrison was surprised we had not received a definite decision from NE Division. He telephoned Col. White, the DD/S, and informed him of our still waiting. Col. White telephoned back after a call to [REDACTED]/DDP. [REDACTED] had reported that NE Division representatives had not contacted him, and that he, as well as Col. White, was present when the DCI said the shipment was to be made by sea. Mr. Garrison said that was all he needed to know; that shipment would be by sea. He instructed [REDACTED] to pass-the-word to Supply and Transportation.

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1655 - [REDACTED] telephoned Transportation and Supply representatives relaying to them that decision had been made to ship by sea the [REDACTED] all required [REDACTED] thereafter, a telephone call was made to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was informed of the decision and given instructions re the Conex containers for delivery to port, deadline for arrival at port (10 August) and the sailing date (14 August.) He was informed to expect further calls.

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Saturday - 1 August

1100 - Telephone call was made to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] talked with [REDACTED] confirmed that [REDACTED] with a request for routing and shipping information necessary for cargo to reach the port by 10 August. Weekend work was not being performed.

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Monday - 3 August

0845 - [REDACTED] to have a call made to [REDACTED] to determine the status of shipment readiness, when the shipment was scheduled to depart [REDACTED] and the method of transportation to the Port.

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Monday - 3 August (cont'd)

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Tuesday - 4 August

1400 - Estimated transportation costs for this shipment, including air shipment of grenades, was furnished NE Division for obligation purposes.

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1500 - [REDACTED] confirmed completion of loading of flatcars. Delivery to dock-side was calculated to be made on Friday, 7 August.

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